

Amendments to the Claims

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application.

Listing of Claims:

1.-22. (Canceled)

23. (New) A cosmetic or dermatological preparation, wherein the preparation comprises an oil-in-water emulsion comprising

(a) a polyacrylic acid thickener having non-linear, crosslinked polymer chains and a viscosity of from 45,000 to 65,000 cP when measured at 25 °C and at a concentration of 0.5 % by weight in water according to BF Goodrich standard test procedure SA-003;

(b) an acrylic acid/C10-30 alkyl methacrylate copolymer having a viscosity of from 1,700 to 15,500 cP when measured at 25°C and at a concentration of 0.2 % by weight in water according to the BF Goodrich standard test procedure SA-015;

a total amount of (a) and (b) being from 0.2 % to 0.8 % by weight, based on a total weight of the preparation,

(c) up to 18.0 % by weight of a lipid phase, based on the total weight of the preparation;

(d) one or more emulsifiers selected from glyceryl stearate citrate and triceteareth-4 phosphate; and

(e) from 0.01 % to 2.0 % by weight of one or more fatty alcohols, based on the total weight of the preparation.

24. (New) The preparation of claim 23, wherein (a) comprises a swollen microgel.

25. (New) The preparation of claim 23, wherein (b) comprises a swollen microgel.

26. (New) The preparation of claim 23, wherein each of (a) and (b) is present in an amount of from 0.05 % to 0.5 % by weight, based on the total weight of the preparation.

27. (New) The preparation of claim 23, wherein (a) and (b) are present in a total amount of not more than 0.40 % by weight, based on the total weight of the preparation.

28. (New) The preparation of claim 27, wherein (a) is present in an amount of not more than 0.20 % by weight, based on the total weight of the preparation.

29. (New) The preparation of claim 27, wherein (b) is present in an amount of not more than 0.25 % by weight, based on the total weight of the preparation.

30. (New) The preparation of claim 23, wherein (c) is present in an amount of from 3 % to 18 % by weight, based on the total weight of the preparation.

31. (New) The preparation of claim 23, wherein (c) is present in an amount of from 5 % to 15 % by weight, based on the total weight of the preparation.

32. (New) The preparation of claim 23, wherein (d) is present in an amount of from 0.01 to 2.0 % by weight, based on the total weight of the preparation.

33. (New) The preparation of claim 23, wherein (d) is present in an amount of from 0.1 % to 1.5 % by weight, based on the total weight of the preparation.

34. (New) The preparation of claim 23, wherein (d) comprises glyceryl stearate citrate.

35. (New) The preparation of claim 23, wherein (d) comprises triceteareth-4 phosphate.

36. (New) The preparation of claim 23, wherein (e) is present in an amount of from 0.01 to 1.5 % by weight, based on the total weight of the preparation.

37. (New) The preparation of claim 23, wherein (e) is present in an amount of from 0.5 % to 1.0 % by weight, based on the total weight of the preparation.

38. (New) The preparation of claim 23, wherein the preparation further comprises one or more thickeners selected from cellulose derivatives and xanthan gums.

39. (New) The preparation of claim 38, wherein the one or more thickeners are present in an amount of from 0.1 % to 1.0 % by weight, based on the total weight of the preparation.

40. (New) The preparation of claim 23, wherein the preparation further comprises one or more polyacrylic acid derivatives selected from polymethacrylate, polyglyceryl methacrylate, polyacryldimethyltauramides and polyacrylamide.

41. (New) The preparation of claim 23, wherein the preparation further comprises one or more additional emulsifiers selected from nonionic, anionic and cationic emulsifiers in an amount of from 0.1 % to 2.0 %, based on the total weight of the preparation.

42. (New) The preparation of claim 23, wherein the preparation further comprises one or more active ingredients.

43. (New) A cosmetic or dermatological preparation, wherein the preparation comprises an oil-in-water emulsion comprising

(a) a polyacrylic acid thickener having non-linear, crosslinked polymer chains and a viscosity of from 45,000 to 65,000 cP when measured at 25 °C and at a concentration of 0.5 % by weight in water according to BF Goodrich standard test procedure SA-003;

(b) an acrylic acid/C10-30 alkyl methacrylate copolymer having a viscosity of from 1,700 to 15,500 cP when measured at 25°C and at a concentration of 0.2 % by weight in water according to the BF Goodrich standard test procedure SA-015;

a total amount of (a) and (b) being from 0.2 % to 0.40 % by weight, based on a total weight of the preparation,

(c) from 5 % to 15 % by weight of a lipid phase, based on the total weight of the preparation;

(d) from 0.01 to 2.0 % by weight of one or more emulsifiers selected from glyceryl stearate citrate and triceteareth-4 phosphate, based on the total weight of the preparation; and

(e) from 0.01 to 1.5 % by weight of one or more fatty alcohols based on the total weight of the preparation.

44. (New) The preparation of claim 43, wherein (a) is present in an amount of not more than 0.20 % by weight, based on the total weight of the preparation.

45. (New) The preparation of claim 44, wherein (b) is present in an amount of not more than 0.25 % by weight, based on the total weight of the preparation.

46. (New) The preparation of claim 43, wherein (d) comprises glyceryl stearate citrate.

47. (New) A method of treating or caring for skin, comprising applying to the skin a cosmetic or dermatological preparation which comprises an oil-in-water emulsion, comprising

- (a) a polyacrylic acid thickener having non-linear, crosslinked polymer chains and a viscosity of from 45,000 to 65,000 cP when measured at 25 °C and at a concentration of 0.5 % by weight in water according to BF Goodrich standard test procedure SA-003;
- (b) an acrylic acid/C10-30 alkyl methacrylate copolymer having a viscosity of from 1,700 to 15,500 cP when measured at 25°C and at a concentration of 0.2 % by weight in water according to the BF Goodrich standard test procedure SA-015;

a total amount of (a) and (b) being from 0.2 % to 0.8 % by weight, based on a total weight of the preparation,

- (c) up to 18.0 % by weight of a lipid phase, based on the total weight of the preparation;
- (d) one or more emulsifiers selected from glyceryl stearate citrate and triceteareth-4 phosphate; and
- (e) from 0.01 % to 2.0 % by weight of one or more fatty alcohols, based on the total weight of the preparation.

48. (New) The method of claim 47, wherein the method comprises treating at least one of oily, blemished and acne-affected skin.

49. (New) The method as claimed in claim 47, wherein the preparation is employed as a decorative cosmetic.